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REGION 10 BULLETIN NO: 07-40

SUBJECT: National Transit Database: Rural Reporting and Amendments to Urbanized Area Annual Reporting Manuals

PROGRAM AREA: Grants

DATE: September 12, 2007

This notice provides interested parties with the opportunity to comment on the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) National Transit Database (NTD) Rural Reporting Manual (Rural Manual) and the Urbanized Area Annual Reporting Manual (Annual Manual).

The Rural Manual is pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5335, and FTA requires recipients of grants under 49 U.S.C. 5311 (Other Than Urbanized Area Formula Grants) to provide an annual report to the Secretary of Transportation via the NTD reporting system according to a uniform system of accounts (USOA). 49 U.S.C. 5311 provides additional specifications for annual reporting from recipients of Section 5311 grants. The Rural Manual provides complete details as to FTA's implementation of these annual requirements through reporting to the Rural NTD Module. In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5334, and in an ongoing effort to be responsive to the needs of NTD reporters, the Rural Manual is available in the DOT docket for public comment.

The full notice for the Rural Manual can be located at: http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/pdf/E7-17549.pdf.

The Amendments to Urbanized Area Annual Reporting Manual is pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5335, and FTA requires recipients of FTA Urbanized Area Formula Grants to provide an annual report to the Secretary of Transportation via the NTD reporting system according to a uniform system of accounts (USOA). In an ongoing effort to improve the NTD reporting system and be responsive to the needs of the transit agencies reporting to the NTD, FTA annually refines and clarifies the reporting requirements through revisions to the Annual Manual.

The full notice for the Amendments to Urbanized Area Annual Reporting Manual can be located at:

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Comments must be received on or before **October 9, 2007**. FTA will consider late filed comments to the extent practicable.

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Sincerely,

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